

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 1.116**

In response to the Office Action mailed July 26, 2010, Applicants respectfully request a three month extension of time for response such that the period for response being until January 26, 2011. Please amend the above-identified application as set forth on the following pages.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begins on page 2 of this Response.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this Response.

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